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TO: School District Superintendents
    Principals
    Curriculum Directors
    Instructional Facilitators
    Perkins Coordinators

FROM: Loralyn O’Kief, Education Consultant,
      Career Technical Education

DATE: August 24, 2015

SUBJECT: Project-Based Learning Workshop

PROJECT-BASED LEARNING WORKSHOP SLATED FOR SEPTEMBER

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) Career Technical Education section is proud to announce a Project-Based Learning (PBL) Professional Development opportunity. This two-day workshop is presented by Marty Sugerik, a PBL Specialist and Trainer. It will focus on pedagogy, partnerships, classroom innovation, and hands-on learning.

The WDE encourages you to bring a team of representatives from your district, school or institution to collaborate in creating an authentic project relevant to your instruction. You will work together to identify elements of the project that can be embedded throughout the school, district, or institution into other forms of instruction and assessment. The workshop toolkit will include bellringers/warm-ups through short and medium cycle formative assessments such as stations and labs, building a progression to support partnerships and PBL in classrooms and throughout the school.

“Career and college readiness is nothing new,” according to Marty Sugerik. “This workshop provides a progression of tools that balance direct instruction and performance tasks. It also allows us to blend technical, academic, employability and behavioral into alternative assessment that compliment Project-Based Learning.”

This opportunity will be available September 14-15, 2015 at Little America in Cheyenne, and September 17-18, 2015 at the Holiday Inn in Cody. Registration will close on September 10, 2015.
More information can be found at: edu.wyoming.gov/educators/pd/. Registration can be completed at: goo.gl/rhN7Fw.

For questions regarding the workshop, please contact Loralyn O’Kief, Education Consultant, at loralyn.okief@wyo.gov or 307-777-3549 or Tonya Gerharter, Education Consultant, at tonya.gerharter@wyo.gov or 307-777-6808.